

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
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**RESPONSE TO JANUARY 6, 2006 FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.116, this Amendment is submitted in response to the Final Office Action mailed January 6, 2006. Applicant respectfully requests amendment of the application, and reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims.